GENERAL SECRETARIAT

Reviews the Report on the working of the Hospitals and Dispensaries in the State for the Calendar year 1933.

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Correspondence ending with letter No. P₁. 356-34, dated 27th July 1934, from the Senior Surgeon in Mysore, forwarding the report on the working of the Hospitals and Dispensaries in the State, together with the Statistical Statements for the calendar year 1933.

> ORDER NO. G. 1687-8-MED. 275-33-4, DATED BANGALORE, THE 20TH—21ST AUGUST 1934.

Recorded.

Medical Institutions and the number of patients treated therein.—The number of Medical Institutions at the beginning of the year was 278. Two new dispensaries, viz., one reduced scale dispensary at Sokke in the Chitaldrug District and a District Board Dispensary at Chelur in the Kolar District, were opened during the year, thus raising the total number of institutions working at the close of the year to 280.

The total number of in-patients and out-patients treated in all these institutions was 4,236,798 against 3,851,432 in the previous year. The number of in-patients treated was 41,530 against 43,585 in the previous year.

The work in all the major institutions in Bangalore and Mysore Cities continued to be satisfactory. The number of out-patients treated in the Victoria Hospital increased slightly from 81,874 in the previous year to 82,192 in the year under review and that in the Krishnarajendra Hospital, Mysore, inclusive of the number treated in the Ophthalmic Department, from 66,121 to 85,195. The number of in-patients also increased from 5,564 to 5,703 in the Victoria Hospital, Bangalore, and from 5,737 to 5,837 in the Krishnarajendra Hospital, Mysore.

During the year under report there was a very large increase in the volume of work in the Electric Therapy and Pathological Departments of the Victoria Hospital, Bangalore, and good work was continued to be done in these sections in the Victoria Hospital, Bangalore and the Krishnarajendra Hospital, Mysore.

Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore.—The number of in-patients treated during the year under report was 2,596 as against 2,577 in the previous year. The number of out-patients treated in the hospital during the year was 30,708 as against 36,308 in the year previous. Twenty-four qualified medical men, mostly from British India and the Hyderabad State, underwent post-graduate training during the year.

Mental Hospital, Bangalore.—The total number of patients treated in the Mental Hospital during the year was 361 as against 322 in the previous year, and of these 75 were paying patients.

The total expenditure of the institution during the year was Rs. 50,633 as against Rs. 49,769 in the year previous.

The net realisation in the Manufacturing and Gardening Department of the hospital amounted to Rs. 202, as against Rs. 165 in the year previous.

The question of providing a suitable building for this hospital is engaging the attention of Government.

Finance.—The total expenditure of the Medical Department during the year was Rs. 14,31,752 as against Rs. 13,99,153 showing an increase in expenditure by Rs. 32,599, due mainly to a larger expenditure under salaries and under medicines and diets on account of the increased number of patients treated in the medical institutions.

The contributions from district and municipal funds amounted to Rs. 2,70,320 and miscellaneous receipts from fees collected from patients amounted to Rs. 47,973.

Midwives.—There were 280 midwives working during the year as in the previous year, but the number of cases attended to by them was 22,351 as against 17,093 in the previous year giving an average of about 79 per midwife per annum as against 61 in the previous year.

During the year under review, 31 pupil midwives completed their midwifery training and 32 pupils were undergoing similar training in Maternity Hospitals at Bangalore, Mysore and on the Kolar Gold Field.

Leprosy Survey.—The work of leprosy survey of Bangalore and of the Goribidnur Taluk, was completed and an extensive survey of the endemic areas in the Mandya and Maddur Taluks is now being carried out.

Dr. I. Santra, Propoganda Officer, British Empire Leprosy Relief Association, in company with the State Leprosy Survey Officer, inspected many of the endemic villages.

Boards of Visitors.—The boards of visitors of the hospitals at Bangalore and Mysore paid regular visits and made valuable suggestions. In respect of the district hospitals and local fund dispensaries, the members of the boards evinced much interest in the working of these Institutions.

General.—During the year under report, the construction of the new building for the Vani Vilas Hospital, Bangalore and that of the Radiology Block in the Victoria Hospital, Bangalore, as also of the Sri Rukminiamma Maternity Hospital at Chikmagalur, was nearing completion and the work of the McGann Hospital at Shimoga and the Maternity Ward at Hassan was in progress while the new Ophthalmic Block and the Children's Ward attached to the Krishnarajendra Hospital, Mysore, and the building for the Female Dispensary and Maternity at Yedatore were completed and opened.

It is gratifying to note that public spirited citizens in several places are offering generous donations for the construction of hospital buildings and Government hope that with such response from the public, every important town will gradually be equipped with an up-to-date hospital to render Surgical, Medical and Maternity aid adequate to its needs.

The Medical Council which was first constituted in February 1932 and consisted of all members nominated by Government, was duly reconstituted under the provisions of the Mysore Medical Practitioners' Registration Regulation V of 1931 with elected and nominated members in May 1933 and a medical register showing the names of all the Registered Medical Practitioners was published.

During the year, Mr. B. K. Narayana Rao, B.A., M.B.C.M., D.O., etc., Superintendent, Minto Ophthalmic Hospital, Bangalore, proceeded to Europe on leave and visited various European Clinics with a view to study the latest advances made in Medical Science and to introduce improvements into the State Hospitals. He purchased special instruments required for the Minto Ophthalmic Hospital.

Dr. Robinson, B.A., M.D., F.A.C.S., etc., Durbar Surgeon and Medical Officer, Krishnarajendra Hospital, Mysore, also visited while on leave during the year, a number of important Medical Clinics in America and on the Continent. He also secured a fellowship for a Mysore University graduate to undergo post graduate training in the University of Minnesota in the United States of America and facilities for the admission and training of Mysore Medical graduates in certain State Universities of America.

Inspections.—The Senior Surgeon visited all the major medical institutions and some of the district hospitals besides 55 other dispensaries.

The work of the Department under the guidance of Dr. S. Subba Rao continued to be satisfactory.

S. ABDUL WAJID, Secretary to Government, General Department.

Extends the concession allowed to ordinary prisoners under Rule 222 of the prisoners sentenced to death whose sentences are subsequently commuted.

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Letter No. 1515-3, dated the 29th March 1934, from the Inspector-General of Prisons, reporting on the recommendation of the non-official visitors of the Central Jail that the concession allowed to ordinary prisoners under Rule 222 of the Mysore Jail Manual be extended to prisoners sentenced to death, whose sentences are subsequently commuted to transportation for life or imprisonment.

Un-official Note No, Roc. 1081—33-34, dated the 28th July 1934, by the Registrar, High Court of Mysore, furnishing his opinion in the matter.

ORDER No. G. 1710-12—PRIS. 52-33-2, DATED BANGALORE, THE 20TH—22ND AUGUST 1934.

It is pointed out that though in the case of prisoners sentenced to imprisonment or transportation, the imprisonment undergone by them during the period the sentence is suspended, pending disposal of the appeal, if any, filed by them against the convictions, is counted towards the sentence that may finally be passed in appeal, the case of prisoners sentenced to death and whose sentence is thereafter commuted to transportation or imprisonment, is treated differently. According to Rule 221 of the Jail Manual, if the death sentence is commuted to one of imprisonment or of transportation for life, the period of imprisonment or of transportation for life will take effect not from the date of the original sentence but from the date of the commutation by the High Court or by Government. The non-official visitors to the Central Jail opine and the Inspector-General of Prisons agrees that the prisoners sentenced to death have to be shown in this respect the same concession as the other prisoners, inasmuch as both suffer imprisonment in Jail from the date of the original sentence and in the case of prisoners sentenced to death the mental anguish during this period is certainly more intense.

The High Court consider that the recommendation of the Inspector-General of Prisons based on the suggestion of the non-official visitors of the Bangalore Central Jail, is reasonable and that Rule 221 of the Jail Manual should be modified on the lines of Rule 222 thereof.

Government are pleased to sanction the proposal of the Inspector-General of Prisons concurred in by the High Court and are pleased to direct that this order be given effect to in the case of prisoners now undergoing sentence in the Jail.

Necessary action to amend the Mysore Jail Manual in this respect has to be taken by the Inspector-General of Prisons early.

S. ABDUL WAJID, Secretary to Government, General Department.

Prescribes a pass in the Accounts (Lower) Examination as an additional Qualification for the posts of Accountants in the Offices of the District School Boards subject to certain conditions.

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Letter No. Spl. 2952-169 of 33-34, dated the 3rd February 1934. from the Director of Public Instruction in Mysore, recommending, for reasons explained, that for the posts of Accountants in the District School Boards, a pass in the Accounts (Higher) Examination may be prescribed as the technical qualification, in addition to a pass in the S.S.L.C. Examination which is the general educational qualification prescribed under the rules of recruitment.

2. The marginally noted resolution passed by the Central Recruitment Board at the meeting "Accounts Lower may be prescribed as an additional qualification for these posts."

QRDER No. 1650-54— C. R. B. 19-34-1, DATED BANGALORE, THE 22ND AUGUST 1934.

The recommendation of the Central Recruitment Board to prescribe a pass in the Accounts (Lower) Examination as an additional qualification for the posts of

Accountants in the Offices of the District School Boards, is sanctioned, subject to the general rule, in force, that candidates possessing the general educational qualifications prescribed for the appointment may be entertained on probation, their confirmation in their posts being conditional on passing the prescribed departmental test or tests within a period of two years.

S. ABDUL WAJID, Secretary to Government, General Department.

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT

Sanctions Revised Scale of Pay of the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery.

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Government Order No. 325-26—C. B. 176-29-2, dated 11th July 1930, fixing the scale of pay of the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, at Rs. 650—30—800—50/2—850.

ORDER No. Fl. 1902-4—S. & A. 135-34-1, DATED BANGALORE, THE 22ND AUGUST 1934.

In modification of the Government order read above, Government are pleased to direct that the scale of pay of the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, be fixed at Rs. 500—50/2—750.

S. SHAMANNA,
Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

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